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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: AFGHAN OPIUM CONTROL/ERADICATION PROGRAM: STATUS REPORT

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1. SUMMARY. SINCE SUBMISSION OF CONTROL/ERADICATION PLAN
(REFTEL) WE NOTE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN (GOA)
HAS TAKEN NUMBER OF STEPS REQUIRED DURING PHASE I OF
KABUL PLAN. FOLLOWING IS STATUS REPORT OF THESE
AFGHAN UNDERTAKINGS, WITH LATER SUMMATION OF STATUS
U.S. ACTIVITIES. END SUMMARY.

2. AFGHAN UNDERTAKINGS PER REFTEL PARAGRAPH I (B) (1 THRU
7):

1. WE STILL ARE UNWILLING TO PREDICT PRECISE AREAS
WHERE OPIUM POPPIES WILL BE ERADICATED THIS SPRING.
HOWEVER, IF LAST AUTUMN'S EFFORTS TO REDUCE CANNABIS
PRODUCTION ARE INDICATIVE (KABUL 0919), THEN WE
EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO REPORT SIGNIFICANT MEASURABLE
PROGRESS AT BEGINNING OF SUMMER.

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2. YAHYA MAROOFI HAS BEEN NAMED NARCOTICS COORDINATOR
FOR GOA.

3. FINNCONSULT REPORT HAS ONLY RECENTLY BEEN
PUBLISHED, AFTER CONSIDERABLE UN BUREAUCRATIC
DELAY, AND PRESENTED FORMALLY TO GOA. WE ANTICIPATE

GOA'S RAISING BADA KHSHAN DEVELOPMENT WITH DONORS IN NEAR FUTURE.

4. EQUIPMENT FOR IMPLEMENTING PILOT PHASE OF "BAGGOTT REPORT," DEALING WITH STRENGTHENING AFGHANISTAN'S POLICE FORCES ON ITS WESTERN BORDER WITH IRAN, HAS BEEN ORDERED AND AFGHAN POLICE PERSONNEL ARE BEING ASSIGNED TO PROJECT.

5. BIDS HAVE BEEN PUBLICLY TENDERED FOR CONSTRUCTING FIVE ADDITIONAL ANTI-SMUGGLING FIELD UNIT SMALL OFFICE BUILDINGS CALLED FOR IN THIS YEAR'S AGREEMENT WITH UNFIDAC, AND GOA IS ACTIVELY PLANNING FOR STAFFING.

6. WE HAVE NOT OFFERED U.S. NARCOTICS RELATED TRAINING PROGRAM TO AFGHAN AUTHORITIES IN PAST SEVERAL MONTHS.

7. NO DISCRNABLE MOTION MADE TOWARD GOA'S JOINING INTERPOL BUT CONSIDERABLY INCREASED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE CURRENTLY BEING FED TO UN NARCOTICS ADVISOR MAGNUSSON AND THROUGH HIM TO U.S. NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE NETWORK.

3. U.S. ACTIVITIES (REFTEL PARAGRAPH I(A) (1 THRU Y):

1. KABUL EMBOFF HAD CONVERSATION WITH ACTING UNDP RESREP DURING DECEMBER RE PROSPECTIVE ASSIGNMENT. HAVE NOT BEEN INFORMED FROM WASHINGTON END REGARDING PROGRESS TOWARD APPOINTMENT OF QUALIFIED PLANNER.

2. KABUL REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL CLERICAL POSITION AND TDY ASSISTANCE OF TWO OFFICERS WAS APPARENTLY DENIED. REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL

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PERMANENT ADDITION OF SECOND OFFICER TO ASSIST DEA/SAIC, DEA DEPUTY REGIONAL DIRECTOR RUSS ARUSLAN ARRIVED KABUL FEBRUARY 7 FOR DETAILED LOOK AT DEA KABUL WORKLOAD.

3. FIRST EVALUATION PLANNING MEETING U.S. MISSION NARCOTICS COMMITTEE WILL BE FEBRUARY 23.

4. AS REPORTED ABOVE, FINNCONSULT REPORT NOW AVAILABLE FOR SHORT TERM CONSULTANT TO BE FUNDED BY S/NM COULD USEFULLY BE ATTACHED UNDP/KABUL AT ANY TIME.

5. TRAINING NEEDS OF AFGHANISTAN NARCOTICS AND ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL WILL BE DISCUSSED DURING VISIT OF DEA/TRI STAFF MID-MARCH 1977.

6. NO ACTION TAKEN TO DATE TOWARD DETERMINING AFGHAN MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT NEEDS IN NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT FIELD. THIS WILL BE TAKEN UP WHEN GOA NARCOTICS COORDINATOR MAROOFI AND UNNA MAGNUSSEN RETURN FROM GENEVA DURING LATE

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